



**BRITISH COLUMBIA
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**ORDER
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**IN THE MATTER OF
the Utilities Commission Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, Chapter 473**

and

**A Filing by FortisBC Inc.
Guidelines for Establishing Entitlement to Non-PPA Embedded Cost Power
and Matching Methodology (Compliance Filing to Order G-188-11)**

BEFORE: M.R. Harle, Panel Chair/Commissioner December 27, 2012
L.A. O'Hara, Commissioner
N.E. MacMurchy, Commissioner

ORDER

WHEREAS:

- A. On April 13, 2012 FortisBC Inc. (FortisBC) submitted its Compliance Filing to Order G-188-11;
- B. On May 3, 2012 the British Columbia Utilities Commission (Commission) issued Order G-54-12 establishing a Regulatory Timetable for review of the Compliance Filing which included an opportunity for comments;
- C. On May 18, 2012, by Letter L-30-12, the Commission altered the Regulatory Timetable to accommodate an extension request from the Ministry of Energy and Mines;
- D. By June 22, 2012 the Commission received comments on the Compliance Filing from Celgar, the Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM), BC Hydro, BC Seniors' and Pensioners' Organization (BCPSO), ATCO Wood Products, International Forest Products Ltd. (Interfor), and the Municipal Utilities composed of Nelson Hydro, Penticton Electric Ltd, and Grand Forks Electrical Utility Services;
- E. On July 4, 2012 FortisBC submitted its Reply comments. On July 19, 2012 FortisBC submitted clarification and additional comments on its July 4, 2012 submission;
- F. On July 30, 2012 the Commission established a further Regulatory Timetable by Order G-104-02;
- G. The Commission received comments from Celgar, MEM, BC Hydro, and BCPSO by August 10, 2012 and on August 17, 2012, FortisBC submitted its Final Reply;

- H. The Commission has considered the comments as set out in the Decision issued concurrently with this Order.

NOW THEREFORE the Commission for the reasons set out in the Decision issued concurrently with this Order, orders as follows:

1. FortisBC's has adequately complied with Directive 8 of Order G-188-11 to consult with customers to determine the Guidelines for the Level of Entitlement.
2. FortisBC's Guidelines for the Level of Entitlement are accepted.
3. FortisBC's Matching Methodology is approved.
4. FortisBC's Guidelines for the Level of Entitlement and Matching Methodology are applicable to all self-generators that are "Eligible Customers" as that term is defined in the Access Principles Application.
5. FortisBC is directed to file its application for a Stepped Transmission Rate and Standby Rate (Directives 9 and 10 of Order G-188-11) with the Commission by March 31, 2013.
6. In designing those rates, FortisBC is to comply with the directives in Section 2 of the Decision.
7. FortisBC's assessment that it is appropriate to charge Celgar for standby service from March 25, 2011 to July 31, 2012 is accepted.

DATED at the City of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, this 27th day of December 2012.

BY ORDER

Original signed by

M.R. Harle
Panel Chair/Commissioner